

Amendment No. 1 to HB3614

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 3285*

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By deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1: Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-5610, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

Section 49-5-5610.

(a)

(1) All students wishing to enter approved teacher training programs shall be required to:

(A) Supply a fingerprint sample and submit to a criminal history records check to be conducted by the Tennessee bureau of investigation (TBI) and the federal bureau of investigation (FBI); and

(B) Agree that the TBI may send to the teacher training program information indicating the results of the criminal history records check. The results will indicate whether the applicant has a criminal conviction that would result in automatic revocation of a teacher's license pursuant to this chapter and under Tennessee rules of state board of education.

(b) Any reasonable costs incurred by the TBI, FBI or both in conducting an investigation of an applicant shall be paid by the applicant. In lieu of additional criminal history records check for subsequent applications to the selected teacher training program, the applicant may submit copies of the applicant's initial criminal history records check documentation and shall not be required to pay any additional costs.

(c) The criminal history records check performed pursuant to this section shall meet all requirements for criminal history records checks related to observations or teaching as part of the teacher training program.

(d) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, any criminal history records check performed pursuant to this section may be submitted and used for the criminal history records check required under §49-5-413 for employment by an LEA or child care program as defined in §49-1-1102 if such employment occurs within twenty-four (24) months of graduation from the teacher training program.

SECTION 2: This act shall take effect July 2, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.